

27 March 1953

MEMORANDUM FOR: Director of Central Intelligence

SUBJECT: CIA-UDB Conference on Albania

1. I am forwarding herewith for your consideration a lengthy report on the CIA-UDB Conference on Albania which was held in Belgrade on 16-17 February 1953 and, in addition, a covering summary memorandum addressed to me from [] , Acting Chief, SE, who was a participant in the subject conference.

2. I think you will find this report interesting "weekend reading." I noted with some interest that the Yugoslavs had apparently independently come to the same conclusion with regard to the overthrow of the Albanian regime that we had reached here in headquarters prior to meeting with the Yugoslavs; namely, that it is not believed likely that a successful internal revolution could take place at the present time even though it were covertly assisted. This conclusion, you will recall, is set forth in the Albanian paper which is being transmitted for consideration by the PSB and I believe that at least a brief reading of the attached report would be useful to you in any discussions with the PSB on Albania.

3. It seems quite clear that part of the conference was propagandistic on the part of the Yugoslavs but I nevertheless believe that a large amount of really valuable information has been obtained. If we can continue to maintain the degree of cooperation which was evident in this conference our liaison with the UDB should become increasingly valuable. *But we must always be on the alert for "smoke" and deception.*

[]
FRANK G. WISNER
Acting Director

Enclosure:
Report and Summary above subject

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